

PENSION REPORT AWAITED WITH MUCH INTEREST

There is Expectation That the Commission Will Recommend a General Increase in Pensions.

COMMITTEE TOLD INCREASE 25 PER CENT.

Is Necessary if Pensioners Are to be Saved from Hardship, and Members Favor Such Increase.

Ottawa, May 2.—The deliberations of the special commission on pensions are being watched with interest by pensioners in all parts of Canada, for the question of continuing the present benefits to pensioners and also the matter of readjustment of the pension scale, are being thoroughly gone into. The committee hopes to draft a report, but will keep the details of that secret until it has finished investigating re-establisment.

There is an expectation, however, that the report from the committee to the House of Commons will recommend a general increase in pensions, with amendments to the act about half way between the proposals of the G. W. Y. A. and the pension commission. From various sources the committee has been advised that an increase of 25 per cent is necessary if pensioners are not to be saved from hardship, and many members of the committee seem to favor such an increase.

To overcome hardship in the cases of widowed mothers, whose pensions are being reduced because of other income the committee is expected to make some provision that there shall be no reduction, whatever may be earned or derived from other sources.

Extension of Time
The extension of time of allowing disability pensions to tubercular and major amputation cases has also been urged on the committee. In order to reach a decision on this point careful examination is being made of the figures of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment which show that such additions would cost the country.

Some changes are also expected in regard to the "one day" clause which stands at present and which prevents an aggravation of a disability. These are necessary because during the war some men were given a certain measure of life insurance to see what would be a disability incurred while on service.

In some cases a man became eligible for pension through an accident which might as easily have occurred had he still been a civilian. Now it is expected a disability will have to be attributed to a service before any pension is paid. It is expected there will be added a clause which will allow the pensioned at the right time his disability is proven.

BELFAST HAS MORE HUNGER STRIKERS

Thirty-Five Removed from the Jail to a Hospital Yesterday.

Belfast, May 2.—(Associated Press)—Thirty-five more hunger strikers were removed from Belfast jail to a hospital today, making 84, making them released in the past two days. There are now no hunger strikers in the prison.

George Murrughan, a solicitor of Omagh, whose father represented the Mid-Tyrone district in Parliament for fifty years, was arrested by the military this morning and brought to Belfast. He was elected agent for Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Féin organization in North West Tyrone in the general election. Mr. Stuart, Health Officer, county Cavan, also has been arrested.

In Londonderry, Saturday night, constable Peter Henley was shot through the leg while on duty. A party of police, which hastened to the scene of the shooting, also was fired on. One of the policemen was struck by a spent bullet, but was not hurt. The police returned the fire of the attacking party, all the members of which escaped.

AUTO RUNS DOWN FURNITURE VAN

One Man Killed and Two Others Injured by the Collision.

Montreal, May 2.—One man was killed and two others were injured this morning, when a car with which they were moving furniture was run down at the corner of Ontario street, East, and Levesque street, by an automobile which, according to the police, was carrying no lights and which, after the accident, went on its way without stopping.

The dead man is Armand Bouchard, a telegraph service messenger, who suffered a fractured skull and died in the Montreal General Hospital a few hours after the accident.

Sir Thomas Russell
Dublin, May 2.—The Right Honorable Sir Thomas Russell died here today. He was born February 28, 1841.

GLASGOW HAS BIG MAY CELEBRATION

London, May 2.—The celebration at Glasgow was on an unprecedented scale. A demonstration was held at Glasgow Green at which a crowd of 40,000 persons adopted a resolution calling for the establishment of a co-operative commonwealth. The resolution embodied fraternal greetings to Soviet Russia and proclaimed the right of the Irish people to choose their own form of government.

MONTREAL MAY DAY PARADE A FIZZLE

The Much Heralded Socialist Parade Turned Out About 1,000 Men.

Montreal, May 2.—A combination of circumstances, chief of which appeared to be lack of enthusiasm and determination, was responsible for the fact that the May Day parade on Saturday here proved to be a fiasco. About 1,000 persons, headed by a band, marched with banners, mostly the placard type, down St. Lawrence street at six o'clock, where they straggled into the Champ de Mars and listened to speeches. This was the much heralded parade. There was no trouble with the police, although one trades union banner was seized by them and later returned. The banners which were in English, French and Russian were such as "One Big Union"; "Saint A. Levesque"; "Russell, Ivens, Pritchard, Jones, Bray, Queen are all jail for you. Are you for them?" etc.

JEWS AWAITING BRITISH MANDATE OVER PALESTINE

Four Million Anxious to Get Back and Build-up the Country Torn by Strife.

Special to The Standard.
(By Hugh Dryden. Copyright, Cross Atlantic.)
London, May 2.—Four million Jews, according to Dr. Max Nordau, the famous essayist and Zionist leader, are not only waiting for the British mandate for Palestine to become effective before they immigrate there. Dr. Nordau declared that, in his opinion, the mandate would bring a few weeks. "We are waiting for the British to open the frontiers," Dr. Nordau said today. "The first settlers," he said, "will be employed in building houses and ploughing the land."

Four million Jews, the programme for the form countries of Palestine offers the only hope for a settlement there. It is a matter of life or death to them that the Arab population of Palestine, numbering about half a million, should be either friendly or indifferent to us. We have no fear regarding our future relations with them. The immediate need is the replacement of the present military rule by a British civil administration which would throw open the frontiers. We must settle Palestine quickly. It is possible there would be enough Jews to give us a small majority over the Arabs, or at least an equality.

We hope that in ten years there will be nearly five million Jews settled there. Five thousand wealthy Jews have already signified their desire to remove to Palestine, and I am informed that the Oriental-American Bank, recently formed in New York, will invest \$150,000,000 for the purpose of establishing economic relations between America and Palestine. This is not charity; it is business. Ultimately, we hope to have a Jewish Republic established on the broadest and most democratic lines.

MEAT PRICES TO REMAIN HIGH

With a View to Combating High Cost of Living Dept. of Agriculture Urges Increased Acreage of Forage Crops.

Ottawa, May 2.—(By Canadian Press.)—With every probability that meat prices will remain fairly high for some time to come, and with a desire to do everything possible to combat as far as humanly possible the present high cost of living, the Federal Department of Agriculture is planning an extensive campaign to overcome at least one element of the difficulty by inaugurating a comprehensive campaign for an increased acreage of forage crops in Canada for the coming years.

Dr. J. H. Grisdale, Assistant to Hon. S. A. Tisdale, Minister of Agriculture, stated today that, while every member of the government recognized that the potential possibilities of the live stock in this country were enormous, it was essential that something more possible extent in order that a sufficient quantity of good food could be provided to carry the stock over long and severe winters.

FIRE DESTROYS MANY PORKERS

Louisville, Ky., May 2.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the hog house, a three-story frame structure covering about four acres of ground in the Bourbon stock yards here this afternoon, and entailed a loss of \$200,000. Several hundred hogs of various breeds in the flames and 25,000 bushels of corn were destroyed.

BRITISH EMPIRE STEEL CORP'N EMERGES FROM

Nebulous State Into That of Definite Existence as An Imperial Organization.

SECOND ONLY TO U. S. STEEL CORP.

Capitalized at \$500,000,000 This Consolidation of Steel, Coal and Transportation Companies is a Reality.

Montreal, May 2.—The New British Empire Steel Corporation, the largest consolidation in the British Empire and second only to the United States Steel Corporation, has now emerged from the nebulous state into that of definite existence as an imperial organization. Capitalized at \$500,000,000, this Canadian consolidation of steel, coal and transportation companies, including the iron and coal deposits of the Atlantic seaboard of the Dominion and financial resources of Great Britain is now an accomplished fact, according to Col. W. Grant Morden, who today outlined the aims and prospects of the great merger, and stated that the division of the share capital of the corporation was to be as follows:

7 per cent cumulative pd	Authorized \$50,000,000	To be issued \$27,000,000
5 per cent cumulative pd	100,000,000	25,000,000
7 per cent non-cumulative pd	150,000,000	38,000,000
Common	200,000,000	77,000,000
Total	\$500,000,000	\$277,000,000

Details As to Terms
Authoritative details as to the terms on which the three principal component parts of the British Empire Steel Corporation, Limited, are to enter the new consolidation, subject to shareholders' approval are as follows:
Dominion Steel Corporation, \$86 per share in 7 per cent non-cumulative preferred stock of the new corporation, plus \$40 in common stock, in each holder of \$100 of the security known market wide as "Iron Common."

Canada Steamship Lines, Limited, \$100 per share in 7 per cent non-cumulative preferred stock, plus \$45 in common.
Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited, \$40 per share in 7 per cent non-cumulative stock, plus \$40 in common.

Details as to the terms upon which the subsidiaries of lesser importance are included are as yet unavailable, but will be communicated to the shareholders of each company within the next few days.

Those in Merger
Included in the consolidation are the following:
Dominion Steel Corporation and its subsidiaries.
Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company and its subsidiaries.
Canada Steamship Lines, Limited, and its subsidiaries.
Canada Foundries and Forging, Limited, and its subsidiaries.
Maritime Navigation Company and its subsidiaries.
Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.
Port Arthur Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.
Halifax Shipyards, Ltd.
Davis Shipbuilding and Repairing Co., Ltd.

Two of the above list may be added several other enterprises, negotiations with which are now in progress.
Col. Morden stated today that, in view of the anticipated savings of the constituent companies in the current year, together with the savings to be effected through unification of control brought about by the abolition of inter-company, through which operating expenses will be reduced by several millions annually, the directors of the British Empire Steel Corporation feel that they will be quite justified in placing the common stocks of the enterprise on a five per cent dividend basis before the end of 1920.

The seven per cent cumulative preferred, which figures in the division of the share capital of the corporation, would, Col. Morden stated, be issued in exchange for the securities of a preference category now outstanding in the obligations of the various companies. The seven per cent non-cumulative stock, in addition to the common, is to be exchangeable for the existing common shares of the enterprise affected, while the \$25,000,000 of 8 per cent cumulative and purchase securities are to be issued to provide the corporation with the additional funds needed to carry out its ambitious programme of expansion and improvement.

WERNER HORNE MUST SERVE SENTENCE

German Gov't Has Made a Request for His Release.

Ottawa, May 1.—(By the Canadian Press.)—No application for the deportation of Werner Horne, now in the penitentiary at Dorchester, N. B., has reached the Department of Justice here, but after the war the German Government, through diplomatic channels, requested that Horne be released on the grounds that he was a German officer and a prisoner of war. The Canadian Government replied that they had no German officer of that name in prison; there was, however, a criminal named Horne in custody, whose release would not be granted.

STRIKE TIES UP UTICA STREET RY.

Utica, N. Y., May 2.—For the first time in the history of this city the street car system is paralyzed by a strike. Not a wheel turned on the tracks of the local company after three o'clock this morning when the men, ignoring the pleas of their union officials not to strike and to leave the adjustment of their demands for an eight hour day and a wage increase to further arbitration, voted unanimously not to return to work.

HALIFAX TEAMSTERS TO GO ON STRIKE

Ask An Increase of \$5 Per Week—Bread and Pastry Makers to Remain at Work

Halifax, N. S., May 2.—Fifty Halifax and Dartmouth teamsters and chauffeurs will go on strike tomorrow for increased wages. The decision to strike was reached at a meeting tonight. The men asked for an increase of five dollars per week. The majority of the employing firms granted the request. The bread and pastry makers who threatened to strike tomorrow have decided to remain at work pending the appointment and finding of an arbitration board, which has been asked of the Labor Department at Ottawa. The teamsters' union has a membership of eight hundred.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE SPRINTS AFTER TRAIN

Boat Train Pulled Out While Duke Was Saying Good-Bye to Friends.

Special to The Standard.
London, May 2.—The Duke of Devonshire, who sailed on the steamer Empress of France today, was nearly left behind, when the boat train pulled out of Buxton Station while the Duke and Duchess and their daughter, Lady Anne Cavendish, were occupied in saying good-bye to their friends.

A crowd of friends saw the train begin to move, and Lady Anne quickly jumped aboard, and with the Duke's help, she was able to follow. As the train gathered speed, the Duke, running along the platform, sprang nimbly aboard, while everybody gaped with relief. The Earl Dalhousie, the Duke of Buccleuch's heir, who is the Duke of Devonshire's aide, pushed his way from the back of the crowd and sprang aboard the Pullman, which he boarded safely.

Among the people at the station, seeing the Duke and Duchess off were Sir George Parry and Lady Parry, Lord Richard Cavendish, Lady Morna Cavendish, the Duchess of Beaufort and the Marchioness of Waterford.

IRISH NATIONALISTS "BUCK" IN COMMONS

Refuse to Countenance Irish Bill by Their Presence at Further Discussion of it.

London, May 2.—A statement, credited to the Irish Nationalist members of the House of Commons, was issued last night, saying they would refuse to countenance the Irish Bill by their presence at further discussions of it in the House. The statement adds that the members of the party only attended the second reading of the bill "in order to make a protest and give the Government an opportunity of declaring whether it intended to make such fundamental changes in the measure as the Irish members demand."

The Government gave no such indication," the statement asserts. "The bill is a denial of every right the Irish people demand."

POLICEMEN AND FIREMEN SHOULD BE UNDER JURISDICTION OF FEDERAL LAW WHEN DISPUTES ARISE, ACCORDING TO ROYAL COMMISSION.

Ottawa, May 2.—(Canadian Press.)—The Royal Commission on the unification of labor laws throughout Canada, brought in the important recommendation on Saturday that all disputes affecting policemen and firemen should come under the jurisdiction of the Federal law. Another important recommendation is to the effect that all disputes in mines and public utilities should be dealt with exclusively by Federal legislation. This includes public utilities under control of the provinces. The commission, which had sessions all week, concluded its labors on Saturday.

MAY DAY PLANS OF THE RADICAL LEADERS FAILED

To Produce the Strikes, Destruction of Life and Property in the States as Blocked Out.

ANARCHISTS KILLED, MANY WOUNDED

At Turin in May Day Clash With Detachment of Royal Guards—Clashes Elsewhere

Washington, May 2.—Plans of radical leaders for country-wide May day demonstrations, involving strikes and the destruction of life and property, Department of Justice officials feared, and issued timely notice to the people. Reports received here show that a number of strikes were instituted over the week-end, but in nearly every case it is declared, these were local in nature, and due to the regular May day explanation of wage contracts.

In Chicago, where extraordinary precautions had been taken to prevent trouble, the day passed off quietly. A strike of cooks and waiters in various hotels, and the general confusion incident to moving day, when scores of tenants refused to vacate their apartments, overshadowed May day developments. Although more than 1,000 arrests were made, these, the police say, had nothing to do with "red" activities.

Two-thirds of Kansas miners were reported idle. In various places handbills, purporting to bear the May day proclamation of the Communist Party of America, were distributed. In Omaha 10,000 people marched in a patriotic parade, and in other cities May day was made the occasion for patriotic demonstrations.

ROME REPORTS

Rome, May 2.—Two alleged anarchists were killed and thirty wounded today in a May day clash yesterday with a detachment of the Royal Guards. A group of men carrying the black flag attacked the guards with rifles and hand grenades, seriously wounding two guards. The guards returned the fire, wounding a man in San Carlo Square by a bomb thrown by a demonstrator.

A number of May day demonstrators at Pola, Italy, tried to pass through a street barricaded by soldiers and when their way was barred attacked the soldiers. The soldiers fired on the crowd, wounding several persons. One officer was killed.

Madrid, May 2.—The largest May day demonstration in the history of Spain passed off quietly in capital, although disorders are reported from provincial points.

At Bilbao there was a serious collision between Republicans and Basque revolutionists resulting in the death of one republican. At Valencia the surety police fired on a crowd of revolutionists who were holding three men. More than 100 shots were exchanged. Three revolutionists were wounded and 46 arrested.

ONE OF THE PEOPLE, NO FAVORS, PLEASE

Prince Refuses Train for His Convenience, if the People Were Not to be Cared for.

Auckland, N. Z., May 2.—The Prince of Wales resumed his tour of New Zealand by train today, the strike of the railwaymen having been ended. The train, which was headed by the Duke of Devonshire, was warmly welcomed everywhere with enthusiasm.

MANY CASUALTIES AT MONTE VIDEO

Police and 500 Workers Clash During May Day Demonstrations.

Montevideo, May 1.—Twelve persons were wounded by revolver shots in a fight between the police and 500 workers during the May Day demonstrations. The shooting began when the police intervened to stop workers from attacking street cars, one of which was overturned and another stoned. The strike car workers were virtually the only workers who did not join the May Day strike.

SEASON TRAFFIC OPENED ON THE LACHINE CANAL

Montreal, May 2.—Boats were passing up and down the Lachine and Soulanges Canals today, and the season's traffic can now be considered as being in operation.

LOYD GEORGE UNDER PHYSICIAN'S CARE

London, May 2.—Mr. Lloyd George has been ordered by his physicians to remain in bed for a few days because of what is declared as a mild attack of bronchitis and fatigue from his San Remo activities. The Premier's indisposition first became noticeable at Friday's lunch conference, at the conclusion of which he cancelled his appointment to visit the King Friday night at Windsor Castle.

CROWN PRINCESS OF SWEDEN DEAD

Duke of Connaught Received Unhappy Tidings While Celebrating 70th Birthday.

(Cross-Atlantic Service.)
London, May 2.—Just before a dinner party, which was to have been held Saturday night at Clarence House, the Duke of Connaught's London residence, in celebration of the Duke's 70th birthday, the Duke was handed a telegram, it announced the death of his daughter, the Crown Princess of Sweden. The guests had begun to arrive, but the festivities, which had been going on all day, were immediately abandoned. The Duke was deeply shocked. What had promised to be one of the happiest days of his life had been turned into one of despair. The Crown Princess was an elder sister of the princess Patricia.

YOUTH OF 16 YEARS FACES MURDER CHARGE

Accused of Having Murdered James Brooks in December Last—Companion Turns State's Evidence.

Montreal, May 2.—(Canadian Press.)—Paul Hecko, 14 years of age, under a charge of manslaughter in another case, was the chief witness heard at the trial of a young man, who was charged with having murdered James Brooks at Montreal last December.

Mrs. Brooks, wife of the murdered man, was in court, and identified a writ watch, knife, gun and various articles as having belonged to her husband when he was last hunting for his death.

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CASUALTIES FROM MAY DEMONSTRATIONS AT PARIS

Total Three Dead and 102 Wounded—103 Arrests Made—Socialist Deputy Among Arrested.

Paris, May 2.—Official figures issued today give the casualties resulting from the disorders yesterday at three dead and 102 wounded, of whom six remain in hospitals, two of them in a dangerous condition.

The arrested aggregated 103. The foreigners among those arrested were deported. Alexander Blanc, extreme Socialist deputy, who was injured in yesterday's clash with the police, will be prosecuted on a charge of abuse of the press.

HALIFAX STRONG ON THE SPANISH

Classes Engaged All Winter in Study of the Language and Many Have Become Proficient.

Special to The Standard
Halifax, N. S., May 2.—Three of the banks, the Royal Bank of Canada, the Bank of Nova Scotia and Canadian Bank of Commerce, by financial grants for the purpose, established the study of Spanish in this city in view of the increasing trade relations with the Latin republics. Classes have been in progress all winter and are drawing to a close. During this time 300 students have engaged in the study of the language and of that number fifty have obtained a knowledge of Spanish sufficient to transact business and speak with comparative fluency. The students were drawn from the staffs of the banks, Dalhousie University and Nova Scotia Technical College. As an example of what has been accomplished, W. J. Clayton, head of a clothing manufactory house in this city at a gathering last night, made a speech of ten minutes in Spanish which was fluent and grammatical. Some others in the class have made even greater progress than Mr. Clayton. The teacher, whom the banks secured, was Mr. Rosales a graduate of the University of Columbia, South America, and of the University of Madrid.

BURN POLICE BARRACK AT GORTIN, IRELAND

London, May 2.—The police barracks at Gortin, County Tyrone, was burned yesterday by forty armed men who held up the village and prevented interference.

PARIS REGARDS RY. STRIKE AS BIG FAILURE

Strike of Railroad Men for Nationalization of Lines to be Joined Today by Miners and Dockmen.

GOVT DETERMINED TO FIGHT STRIKE

Prepared to Do Its Duty in the Maintenance of Order and Will Protect the Men Remaining at Work.

Paris, May 2.—The strike of the railroad men for nationalization of the railways which is to be joined tomorrow by the miners and dockmen, has resulted, thus far, in hindering traffic only on four of the five big systems—the Eastern, Northern, Middle and the Paris Lyons and Mediterranean. Temporarily, however, the state line, which runs to Havre, is tied up. "The strike is a complete failure," said Yves Le Troquer, the Minister of Public Works today.

Services on all lines were curtailed today. The Parisian forces were operating about 50 per cent, except the Languedoc state system, which continued to run at full capacity. The government's determination to fight the strike for nationalization has been voiced by M. Le Troquer and Premier Millerand.

Government Prepared.
M. Millerand said the government was prepared to do its duty in the maintenance of order and protect the men who remain at work. M. Le Troquer expressed confidence in the outcome of the situation. He explained that he had foreseen the conflict, and that as a result the railways, public services and industries had been provided with greater supplies of coal than they had at any time since the signing of the armistice.

In carrying out its policy to break the strike the government again has used the force of the national motor trucks and other transportation equipment in certain regions. The strike of the miners is locked on with intense determination. The men have been granted their recent demands. The Secretary of the Miners' Union in the Loire department has asked the men not to hurry the strike order.

Technical students, who were organized by the government last February, already are replacing many of the men on the railways who have ceased work.

SCHOONER RESVER AFIRE AT SEA

Boston, May 2.—The Norwegian motor schooner, Resver, was abandoned today because of fire 500 miles east of New York, the crew being taken off by the British steamer City of Canton which reported by wireless that the schooner was on fire. The schooner was standing on the track, when a scudger came along and crashed into the rear-end. Mr. Tobin was not hurt, but he was rendered unconscious, and removed to his hotel. His injury is not considered serious.

HALIFAX TRAM CARS COLLIDE

Halifax, N. S., May 2.—Two tram cars collided on Granville street on Saturday afternoon, and Joseph Tobin, a commercial traveller of Ottawa, was injured about the head. One car was standing on the track, when a scudger came along and crashed into the rear-end. Mr. Tobin was not hurt, but he was rendered unconscious, and removed to his hotel. His injury is not considered serious.

JUAREZ GARRISON JOIN REVOLUTION

El Paso, Tex., May 2.—Reports Saturday because were that the Juarez Garrison and General J. Gonzalo Delgado had peacefully joined the revolution. Juarez officials asked about the reports, said: "We do not know." General Delgado could not be reached.